

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A control apparatus for a fire pump, the fire pump having a fire pump body, a delivery hose connected to the fire pump body at one end thereof, a nozzle connected to the other end of the delivery hose, and a power source line for supplying electric power to said control apparatus, said control apparatus being disposed in the vicinity of the nozzle ~~comprising~~ and consisting essentially of:

an operation control unit for instructing an operation mode of the fire pump and for transmitting an operation control signal corresponding to the instructed operation mode to the fire pump body via the power source line and for receiving a condition display signal from the fire pump body via the power source line; and

a condition display unit for displaying an operation condition of the fire pump on the basis of the condition display signal received by said operation control unit.

2. (Original) The control apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said operation control unit transmits a call signal to the fire pump and receives a call signal from the fire pump via the power source line.

3. (Currently Amended) The control apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said condition display unit displays a revolution frequency of ~~[[an]]~~ a fire pump driving engine of the fire pump as the operation condition of the fire pump.

4. (Currently Amended) The control apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said condition display unit displays ~~[[an]]~~ a degree of an opening of a throttle of the fire pump as the operation condition of the fire pump.

5. (Original) The control apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said condition display unit includes a 7-segment display unit displaying one of a numerical value and a predetermined message.

6. (Original) The control apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said operation control unit transmits the operation control signal to the fire pump body by superposing FM waves on the power source line.

7. (Original) The control apparatus according to claim 2, wherein said operation control unit transmits the call signal to the fire pump body by superposing FM waves on the power source line.

8. (Original) The control apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said operation control unit receives the condition display signal from the fire pump body by superposing AM waves on the power source line.

9. (Original) The control apparatus according to claim 2, wherein said operation control unit receives the call signal from the fire pump body by superposing AM waves on the power source line.

10. (Currently Amended) A fire pump comprising:

a fire pump body;

a delivery hose connected to the fire pump body at one end thereof;

a nozzle connected to the other end of the delivery hose;

a nozzle control unit connected to the fire pump body via a power source line for supplying electric power from said fire pump body to said nozzle control unit, said nozzle control unit ~~comprising~~; consisting essentially of:

an operation control unit for instructing an operation mode of the fire pump and for transmitting an operation control signal corresponding to the instructed operation mode to the fire pump body via the power source line and receiving a condition display signal from the fire pump body via the power source line; and

a condition display unit for displaying an operation condition of the fire pump on the basis of the condition display signal received by the operation control unit.

11.-20. (Deleted)

21. (Currently Amended) An operation mode control apparatus for a fire pump having at least a plurality of operation modes ~~[[of]]~~ for the fire pump, said operation mode control apparatus comprising:

an operation mode switching unit for switching operation modes to a selected operation mode; and

a mode setting delay unit for delaying, when the operation mode is switched by the operation mode switching unit, the setting of the ~~switched~~ selected operation mode for a predetermined period of time.

22. (Currently Amended) The operation mode control apparatus according to claim 21, wherein one of the plurality of operation modes is an automatic relay water supply mode in which the fire pump detects the water supply from a fire pump ~~[[on]]~~ in a preceding stage and then starts the relay water supply automatically.